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UPDATE FROM JAPAN

Osaka Bible Seminary — Jesus for Japan

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... our email to you ...



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OSAKA BIBLE SEMINARY, like most schools in Japan, begins in April and ends in March. One student was graduated in March and another student began in April. Because of Rickie's open heart surgery and hospitalization, I was not present at either ceremony. We were privileged to be back in chapel last Friday when **President Kishimoto** spoke from Luke 8:9-15, showing the purpose being about the seed and the blessing of the Believer, not the failure of the Believers. He is a popular and amazing speaker. He has good eye contact with

his audience and hardly ever looks at his notes.

The KAMIZONO CONGREGATION where we minister monthly is always very special for us. Last month the choir was part of the special Resurrection Lord's Day service. They practice together regularly. It is also a good outreach since several of them are not yet believers, some having participated in the choir since I have been preaching. Brother Motobayashi, my translator, and I work together as a real team. He is also very good at explaining my jokes! We both have teen-age roots in that congregation: I helped start the congregation when I was a teen-ager and he attended there later as a teen-ager.



KANSAI CHRISTIAN SCHOOL stays on the American calendar—September to June so we are almost finished with the 2021-22 school year. After a change of schedule for about six weeks because of Rickie's hospitalization, we are back to our "new normal" of being at KCS on Mondays and Wednesdays. Rickie did work from home after she was released from the hospital but is happy to be back in the office. I always go with her and set up my laptop computer in the staff room and prepare my sermons there and work on Wounded Tiger. It is good to be back.

Special News: Yu Yamada, my "Timothy" and a KCS graduate, is finishing up his Master's degree at Lincoln Christian University and will be teaching at KCS next year!



Rickie's faithful ladies class



Brother Motobayashi explaining one of my jokes!

RICKIE'S LADIES ENGLISH BIBLE CLASS started back up again after not meeting during April. When they arrived last week, they were so happy to see Rickie they gave her hugs—very unusual in Japan! They really missed her and wanted to show their affection. They are studying the book of Matthew, Please continue to pray that these ladies will understand that they can have a personal relationship with God through Jesus! Over at least 23 years, two of them have faithfully attended the class. Please also pray that the Lord will give Rickie the words and thoughts to share with them. We love them!

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